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1. On 21 February 1952, House No 7 of the new buildings in Pieskow was handed over to the German Volkspolizei which reported to the SCC that the construction work had been completed. The SCC, in turn, gave order to the Kech to take over the depot. The Kech subsequently turned the new building over to the signal equipment depot at Bad Saarow which is headed by Lieutenant Colonel Zakharov (fnu). The depot will be transferred from its old location west of the Pieskow-Bad Saarow road to the new building. The acceptance by the Soviet Army of the new building took place on 23 March 1952. *

2. On 8 April, 12 railroad cars with special vehicles, built to withstand gas, arrived at the signal equipment depot, [REDACTED]. The vehicles were about 6 meters long, about 2 meters wide, lined with rubber, provided with two glass windows each and were used as trailers. A shipment of 14 flatcars and 2 boxcars was expected to arrive on 10 April. No specific details on that shipment were obtained. **

* [REDACTED] Comment. The enlargement of the signal equipment depot, of the COFG at Bad Saarow is known from previous reports. For previous report and keyed sketch, see [REDACTED]. The information on completion and acceptance by the Soviet Army is given credence. Lieutenant Colonel Zakharov (fnu) was previously reported to have been the commandant of the signal equipment depot.

** [REDACTED] Comment. The shipments were not contained in reports based on railroad records.

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